

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY OF THE CITY OF JASPER  
AUGUST 9, 2016**

The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Jasper, Indiana, met in regular session on Tuesday, August 9, 2016, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm then called the roll:

Mayor Terry Seitz	Present
Board member Timothy Bell	Present
Board member Nancy Eckerle	Present

Also present were Police Chief J. Michael Bennett, Street Commissioner Jeffrey Theising, City Engineer Chad Hurm, Personnel/Safety/Loss Control Director Cale Knies, Director of Community Development and Planning Darla Blazey, City Attorney Renee Kabrick, and Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm. Fire Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Kenneth Hochgesang was absent.

Clerk-Treasurer Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the board members must be present. All three board members were present, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Seitz invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

The board members examined the minutes of the regular meeting held on July 26, 2016 and the memorandum from the executive session held on July 26, 2016. Thereafter, a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve both sets of minutes as presented. Motion carried 3-0.

**CLAIMS.** The claims against the City from July 8, 2016 to August 4, 2016 were presented to and examined by the board. A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to approve the claims as published. Motion carried 3-0.

**STREET CLOSURES**

John Avery with Avery Custom Exteriors asked permission to close 2<sup>nd</sup> Street between Newton and Clay Streets from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on a day that is agreed upon by the City. Avery needs to use a crane to remove a 120 ft antenna from the Crop Production Services Inc building located at 209 2<sup>nd</sup> Street so they

can replace their roof. The City of Jasper electric department will be notified when this job is scheduled to make sure the electric lines are not affected.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to permit the blockage of 2<sup>nd</sup> Street between Newton and Clay Streets to occur. Motion carried 3-0.

Street Commissioner Jeffrey Theising asked permission to close Andrew Lane between Kluemper Road and Lechner Lane later this week for two days in order to repair a storm sewer. The street will also need to be closed off and on for about a month when they widen that road.

A motion was made by Timothy Bell and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to approve the closure of Andrew Lane between Kluemper Road and Lechner Lane for two days. Motion carried 3-0.

Theising said next Monday evening, August 15<sup>th</sup>, they will be meeting with the residents of that area to inform them about what to expect when the street department begins to widen Andrew Lane.

### **WORK-BASED LEARNING PROGRAM INTERN**

City Engineer Chad Hurm requested permission to be part of a Dubois County Work-Based Learning program. A high school student interested in civil engineering would serve as an intern in the City of Jasper engineering department. The intern would work approximate 40 hours and would not receive pay.

This type of internship is for college-bound students to develop a better understanding of what a specific professional career entails.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Timothy Bell to allow an unpaid intern with the Dubois County Work-Based Learning program to work in the engineering department. Motion carried 3-0.

### **REPORTS**

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett said things went well at last week's Strassenfest. He thanked the officers for the time they spent working at the fest. Mayor Seitz thanked all the departments for their assistance before and during the fest.

Street Commissioner Jeffrey Theising said next week they will be applying rejuvenator to certain city streets that were designated as part of this year's street projects.

### **QUOTES FOR BULLET PROOF VESTS**

Police Chief J. Michael Bennett asked permission to purchase four bullet proof vests using the Department of Justice BVP 50/50 program. He presented the following quotes for an Armor Express Razor II with Revolution carriers and 5x8 ICW plate.

Officer Store	\$853.99 each	\$3415.96 total
Siegel's Uniforms	\$790.00 each	\$3160.00 total

Bennett said GALLS out of Ohio could not sell in Indiana the vest that was listed in the specifications.

A motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to allow the police chief to purchase four vests from Siegel's Uniforms for \$790.00 each for a total of \$3160.00. Motion carried 3-0.

**ADJOURNMENT.** There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Mayor Seitz and seconded by Timothy Bell to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 3-0 and the meeting adjourned at 8:18 a.m.

The minutes were hereby approved \_\_\_\_ with   X   without corrections or clarification this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of August, 2016.

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**Mayor Terry Seitz, Presiding Officer**

**Attest:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer**